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Applicant's attorney, on behalf of the Assignee of record, hereby requests the issuance of a Certificate of Correction for the following Applicant errors pursuant to 35 USC §255:

**Correction is requested for the following Applicant errors:**

Specification, Col. 4, line 24, after "two", change "object" to - - objects - -.

Specification, Col. 4, line 49, after last word "from", insert - - - -.

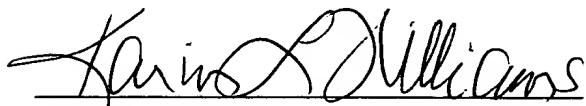
Claim 28, line 46, after "determine", insert - - the - - .

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Approval and entry of the above corrections is respectfully requested.

All fees due as a result of this Request for Certificate of Correction may be charged to the undersigned attorney's PTO Deposit Account #50-1047 accordingly. Also filed herewith is PTO Form 1050, duly completed.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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Claim 28, line 46, after "determine", insert - - the - - .

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